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Field Crops

Cotton planting is 98 percent complete, 7 percentage points ahead of last year and 4 percentage points ahead of the 5-year average. At least 12 percent of the cotton acreage has reached the squaring stage. Alfalfa condition is mostly good to excellent. Harvesting is active in nearly all areas of the State.

Arizona Vegetables, Fruit & Specialty Crops

This week Arizona growers shipped cabbage, onions, potatoes and various melons.

Range and Pasture

Range and pasture condition varies from very poor to good, depending on location and elevation. Rains and moderate temperatures have helped maintain current forage conditions in northern areas, despite the windy conditions. South eastern area range conditions have been very dry and high winds have accelerated the drying out of rangeland.

Crop Condition

	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	- Percent -				
Alfalfa	-	3	22	42	33
Range and Pasture	22	30	26	14	8

Crop Progress

	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5 – Year Avg.
	- Percent -			
Cotton				
• Planted	98	94	92	91
• Squaring	12		4	7

Weather Summary

Temperatures were mostly above normal for the week ending May 29th, ranging from 6 degrees below normal at Buckeye, Paloma, and Roll to 5 degrees above normal at Grand Canyon and Prescott. The highest temperature of the week was 103 degrees at

Yuma. The lowest reading was 27 degrees at Grand Canyon. The only precipitation recorded in Arizona was 0.04 inches in Grand Canyon. All of the weather stations across the State except Kingman have below normal precipitation to date.

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Temperature and Precipitation Data								
May 23, 2011 - May 29, 2011								
Station	Temperature				Precipitation			
	Avg.	Dep. 1/	High	Low	Past Week	Jan. 1 to Date	Departure From Normal	Percent of Normal
Aguila	70	-5	95	45	0.00	1.66	-2.27	42
Buckeye	76	-6	98	52	0.00	1.62	-0.95	63
Canyon De Chelly	65	3	87	38	0.00	1.28	-1.81	41
Coolidge	75	-4	100	48	0.00	1.31	-1.93	40
Douglas	73	3	100	43	0.00	0.06	-2.00	3
Flagstaff	54	0	75	29	0.00	6.27	-2.59	71
Grand Canyon	54	5	81	27	0.04	4.77	-4.25	53
Kingman	71	0	89	46	0.00	4.09	0.39	111
Marana	79	2	102	56	0.00	1.07	-2.70	28
Maricopa	78	-2	101	56	0.00	0.77	-2.10	27
Paloma	75	-6	99	50	0.00	1.40	-1.44	49
Parker	75	-5	95	52	0.00	1.27	-0.81	61
Payson	62	-2	82	39	0.00	3.77	-4.11	48
Phoenix	84	3	101	67	0.00	1.04	-1.53	40
Prescott	65	5	85	41	0.00	2.14	-4.09	34
Roll	76	-6	101	50	0.00	0.59	-0.37	61
Safford	74	2	97	47	0.00	0.27	-1.97	12
St. Johns	65	2	87	43	0.00	1.33	-1.63	45
Tucson	79	2	100	57	0.00	0.55	-2.22	20
Willcox	71	3	95	43	0.00	0.30	-2.41	11
Winslow	68	3	93	42	0.00	0.76	-1.31	37
Yuma	81	-1	103	58	0.00	0.65	-0.31	68
1/ Departure of temperature for reporting period from average temperature for that week.								

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